

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2437

Introduced by Assembly Member Ting

February 19, 2016

An act to amend Section 6330 of the Labor Code, relating to employment.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2437, as introduced, Ting. Division of Occupational Safety and Health: jurisdiction.

Existing law permits the Occupational Safety and Health Standards Board within the Department of Industrial Relations to adopt occupational health and safety standards to protect the welfare of employees. The Division of Occupational Safety and Health (division) enforces occupational safety and health standards and orders. Certain violations of these standards and orders are crimes. Existing law also requires the division to report annually to the Legislature specified matters, including providing recommendations for legislation to improve the ability of the division to provide safety in employment.

This bill would also require the division to include in its report to the Legislature, recommendations to improve the ability of the division to maximize health outcomes in places of employment.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 6330 of the Labor Code is amended to
2 read:

1 6330. The director shall prepare and submit to the Legislature,
2 not later than March 1, an annual report on the division activities.
3 The report shall include, but need not be limited to, the following
4 information for the previous calendar year:
5 (a) The amount of funds allocated and spent in enforcement,
6 education and research, and administration by the division.
7 (b) Total inspections made, and citations issued by the division.
8 (c) The number of civil penalties assessed, total amount of fines
9 collected and the number of appeals heard.
10 (d) The number of contractors referred to the Contractor's State
11 License Board for hearing, pursuant to Section 7109.5 of the
12 Business and Professions Code, and the total number of these cases
13 resulting in suspension or revocation of a license.
14 (e) The report from the division prepared by the Bureau of
15 Investigations for submission to the director pursuant to Section
16 6315.3.
17 (f) Recommendations for legislation which improves the ability
18 of the division to provide safety *and maximize health outcomes* in
19 places of employment.
20 The report shall be made to the Speaker of the Assembly and
21 the Chairman of the Rules Committee of the Senate, for assignment
22 to the appropriate committee or committees for evaluation.